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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Kevin McDermott :  
In re Application of :  
PAUL W. BROWN : **A METHOD OF RESISTING CORROSION**  
Serial No. 10/044,660 : **IN METAL REINFORCING ELEMENTS**  
Filed January 9, 2002 : **CONTAINED IN CONCRETE AND**  
: **RELATED COMPOUNDS AND**  
: **STRUCTURES**  
: Attorney Docket No. 287122-00001-1

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

May 28, 2004

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Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2004, in connection with the above-captioned application. A one-month Extension of Time Request is enclosed, bringing the time for reply to May 30, 2004. The Office Action has been carefully reviewed, and the following response offered in an attempt to advance the case to allowance. Reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims in light of the following amendments and remarks is courteously requested. Please amend the captioned application as follows: